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## ‘#BobcatsAgainstBias’ Week

FSU’s Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (ODEI) will host “#BobcatsAgainstBias: A Week of Celebrating Diversity, Equity and Inclusion” the week of **Friday, April 1, through Friday, April 8**. Each day will have a different theme, and events, workshops and information will be offered throughout.

**Friday, April 1, through Sunday, April 3:** Members of the campus community will participate in the National Coalition-Building Institute, Leadership Development Training. On completion of the two-and-a-half-day training, participants will receive a certificate of completion and be eligible to continue developing the skills of a DEI facilitator. For info and to register, contact the office at [odei@frostburg.edu](mailto:odei@frostburg.edu).

**Monday, April 4:** This is Kickoff Day, honoring the legacy of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on the 54th anniversary of his assassination. The MLK event will start with the dedication ceremony of Brownsville Hall (residential hall) at 6 p.m., followed by a unity march to Gira Center 397 for a Racial Healing program. Student organizations, residence halls, community members and campus divisions/offices are encouraged to create a banner reflecting the #BobcatsAgainstBias campaign. More information will be available closer to the date.

**Tuesday, April 5:** Tuesday will be “Take a Pledge Day.” There will be various opportunities to commit to being a part of the #BobcatsAgainstBias movement. **Dr. Chelsea Daggett**, a Communication Studies faculty member, will present “What Did You Meme? A Discussion About Avoiding Misinformation” at 2 p.m. in a hybrid format meeting in Gira Center 161 and online. At 6 p.m. there will be a town hall meeting in the Lane Atkinson Room (232). The topic for the town hall meeting is “Women in Public Service.”

**Wednesday, April 6:** The theme is “Words Matter.” There will be a hybrid brown bag lunch session, “Safer Spaces,” presented by the Maryland Commission on Civil Rights from noon to 2 p.m. In-person attendance will be limited, and registration will be required.

**Thursday, April 7:** The theme is “A Day of Civility.” The evening program, hosted by Allegany County “Choose Civility,” is “Social Media and Civility” at 6 p.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room and online “Social Media Civility: Influencing Community and Strategy Online and on the Ground.”

**Friday, April 8:** The week will culminate with “Building a Legacy of Kindness” with campus community members engaging in a service project (TBA) from 2 to 4 p.m. More information will be available closer to the date.

There will be information tables and activities in the Lane Center upper lobby each weekday between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. to promote an inclusive campus environment and provide opportunities for all to learn more about various ways we may be impacted by bias. Student organizations, faculty and staff are also invited to submit to ODEI any program, classroom assignments/discussion or events they are holding that support the #BobcatsAgainstBias mission.

The “#BobcatsAgainstBias” hashtag and logo were created by Communication Studies senior **Raye Maquire** and were adopted for this week celebrating the diversity on campus by committing to doing the work to reduce biases and microaggressions that negatively impact the campus climate. Additional information will be provided closer to the start of the campaign. For info, contact Robin Wynder, senior DEI officer, or McKenna Booker, ODEI program management specialist, at 301-687-4050 or [odei@frostburg.edu](mailto:odei@frostburg.edu).

## Help for Students

### Spring Tutoring Information

The last day of tutoring will be **Tuesday, May 10**. Hours of operation are **Mondays through Thursdays** from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and **Fridays** from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Math and natural sciences tutoring will take place in Pullen 139, and writing, business and computer science tutoring will be held in Pullen 151.

Appointment-based/in-person tutoring course offerings are as follows: ACCT 211/212/311, BIOL 109/149/160/161/304/310/322/435, CHEM 201/202/311/312/321/322/455, COSC 101/102/240/241, DVMT 099/100, ECON 201/202, EXSS 103/115/175/200/313/341/401, GEOG 103/104/275, ITEC 345, MATH 104/109/119/120/236/237, MGMT 355/357, PHSC 101/203, PHYS 215/261/262/263, Writing and Academic Skills (textbook strategies, study skills, time management and learning strategies). Students use TutorTrac to make appointments.

Walk-in/group sessions are as follows: ACCT 211 on **Wednesdays** from 6 to 7 p.m. in Framptom 208, BIOL 149 on **Tuesdays and Thursdays** from 5 to 6 p.m. in Compton 225, BIOL 322 on **Fridays** from 11 a.m. to noon in Compton 326, CHEM 202 on **Tuesdays** from 6 to 7 p.m. in Compton 358, CHEM 311/312/321/322 on **Mondays** from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in Compton 226, CHEM 455 on **Mondays** from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. in Compton 226, GEOG 103 on **Thursdays** from 6 to 7 p.m. in Gunter 219, MGMT 355 on **Tuesdays** from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in Framptom 303, MGMT 357 on **Mondays** from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in Framptom 323 and PHYS 215/261/262/263 on **Tuesdays and Thursdays** from 3 to 5 p.m. in Compton 234 and **Mondays through Thursdays** from 11 a.m. to noon in Compton 236.

For NetTutor, the 24/7, third-party, online tutoring platform accessible via Canvas, students must send an email to Mark Smith at [msmith@frostburg.edu](mailto:msmith@frostburg.edu) to gain access. Information about NetTutor is posted outside Pullen 151.

For info, contact the FSU Tutoring Center at 301-687-3077 or 301-687-4066. You can also visit the website at <http://www.frostburg.edu/admin/provost/academic-success-network/tutor/?forceAbsoluteURLs=false&skipGA=false>.

### PAWS Pantry Hours

PAWS Pantry hours are **Mondays and Wednesdays** from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and **Thursdays** from 1 to 7 p.m. at the Braddock House, 20 Braddock Road.

If the pantry regular hours do not work for you, email [pawspantry@frostburg.edu](mailto:pawspantry@frostburg.edu) to set up an appointment.

Updated Liability Form: The pantry recently updated its Intake and Liability Waiver. All customers (new and returning) will need to complete this form before using the pantry. You will receive your new Pantry ID card at your first visit to the pantry this semester.

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For the following events, FSU is following CDC guidance based on current area conditions. Currently, masks are to be worn indoors in the presence of others, regardless of vaccination status. Event attendees are encouraged to visit [www.frostburg.edu/checkin](http://www.frostburg.edu/checkin) for symptom monitoring. Users can display the portal's "Reduced Risk" badge on a mobile device for admission, or they may respond to symptom-check questions posted at events.

## Music

Unless otherwise noted, music performances will take place in Pealer Recital Hall and are free and open to the public. For info, contact FSU's Department of Music at 301-687-4109. Music events will also be livestreamed; the link will be posted at [www.frostburg.edu/concerts](http://www.frostburg.edu/concerts).

### Dr. Isaac Greene Will Perform in Faculty Artist Series Concert, 'Bach and His Students'

FSU's Department of Music will present guitarist **Dr. Isaac Greene** in a Faculty Artist Series concert, titled "Bach and His Students," on **Friday, April 1**, at 7:30 p.m.

This program explores the influence of Johann Sebastian Bach's solo music on modern and contemporary composers. Though none of them were actually Bach's students, the influence his music had on theirs is clear. Multiple pieces by Bach will be performed paired with pieces from the 20th and 21st centuries that show some of these influences.

Greene will perform Bach's "Fugue, BWV 1000" with "Fugetta" from "Fantasy for Guitar, Op. 107" by Malcolm Arnold. The "Fugue in G Minor" is a composition, possibly for the lute, that Bach wrote in 1723. Today the piece is typically played on the guitar. "Fantasy for Guitar, Op. 107," by English composer Arnold, was written in 1971. Its fourth section is the brief but energetic "Fugetta."

"Partita No. 2 in D Minor, BWV 1004" was written between 1717 and 1720. A partita is a suite of dances, usually written for a solo instrument. This partita contains five movements, frequently listed by their French names: "Allemande," "Courante," "Sarabande," "Gigue" and "Chaconne."

Bach's "Allemande" is paired with "Impromptu" by Ronald Pearl. An allemande is a Renaissance and Baroque dance, and one of the most common instrumental dance styles in Baroque music. "Impromptu" is one of a series, titled "Amistades," small tokens of appreciation for performers who were supportive of Pearl's work.

The courante is a family of triple-meter dances from the late Renaissance and the Baroque era. Bach's second movement is rather lively. "Verano Porteña" is a tango by Argentinian composer Astor Piazzola.

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Bach's third movement is "Sarabande." The sarabande evolved from a Spanish dance with Arab influences and is in triple meter. It spread to Italy in the 17th century, and to France, where it became a slow court dance. Frank Martin's only solo classical work is "Quatre pièces brèves"; "Air" is the second movement. Federico Mompou composed "Suite Compostelana" in 1962. "Coral," the second movement, is an introspective, melancholy piece.

Bach's fourth movement is "Gigue." A gigue is a lively baroque dance originating from the English jig. "A felicidade" ("Happiness") is a bossa nova song by Antônio Carlos Jobim and Agostinho dos Santos, composed in 1958 for the French film "Orfeu Negro" ("Black Orpheus"). The theme of the song is the fragility of happiness.

Though it originally emerged during the late 16th century in Spanish culture, having reputedly been introduced from the New World as a quick dance-song, the chaconne by the early 18th century had evolved into a slow triple-meter instrumental form. Bach's fifth and final movement is one of the best-known and most masterful and expressive examples of the chaconne. The Baroque viola da gamba composition, "Les Voix Humaines" ("The Human Voices"), by Marin Marais reflects on the nuance and beauty of the human voice.

## **FSU Chorale and Chamber Singers to Present Spring Concert, 'O Come, Let Us Sing!'**

FSU's Department of Music will present the University Chorale and Chamber Singers, under the direction of **Dr. Scott Rieker**, in "O Come, Let Us Sing!" on **Saturday, April 2**, at 7:30 p.m. They will be accompanied by pianist **Dr. Joseph Yungen**.

Featuring works by Astor Piazzolla, Margaret Bonds, Samuel Coleridge-Taylor, Ralph Vaughan Williams, Morten Lauridsen and others, this concert explores the breadth of choral music spanning two centuries.

Piazzolla was an Argentine tango composer, bandoneon player and arranger. His works revolutionized the traditional tango into a new style termed nuevo tango, incorporating elements from jazz and classical music.

Bonds was an American composer, pianist, arranger and teacher. One of the first Black composers and performers to gain recognition in the United States, she is best remembered for her popular arrangements of African American spirituals.

Coleridge-Taylor was an English composer and conductor. He was particularly known for his three cantatas on the epic poem "Song of Hiawatha" by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. Coleridge-Taylor premiered the first section in 1898, when he was 22.

Vaughan Williams was an English composer whose works include operas, ballets, chamber music, secular and religious vocal pieces, and orchestral compositions, including nine symphonies written over 60 years. Strongly influenced by Tudor music and English folk songs, his output marked a decisive break in British music from its German-dominated style of the 19th century.

Lauridsen is an American composer. His musical approaches are very diverse, ranging from direct to abstract. His Latin sacred settings often reference Gregorian chants plus medieval and Renaissance procedures while blending them within a freshly contemporary sound. His music has an overall lyricism and is tightly constructed around melodic and harmonic motifs.

## **Saxophonist Dr. Brent Weber in Faculty Artist Series Concert**

FSU's Department of Music will present saxophonist **Dr. Brent Weber** in a Faculty Artist Series concert on **Sunday, April 3**, at 3 p.m. He will be accompanied by pianist **Dr. Jay DeWire**.

Weber will perform "Rock Me!" by Barry Cockcroft, "Elegie et Rondeau" by Karel Husa, "Lamento et Rondo" by Pierre Sancan, the four movements of "Hot Sonate" by Erwin Schulhoff and several pieces from "Suite From 'Romeo and Juliet'" by Sergei Prokofiev, arranged by Lidia Baich and Matthias Fletzberger and transcribed by Weber.

Cockcroft's "Rock Me!" captures the relentless driving energy, rhythms and beats found in many forms of rock music. At times the saxophonist must simulate various other instruments, including didgeridoo, electric bass, drum kit, distorted guitar and occasionally, acoustic saxophone.

Known in the U.S. as a composer of band music, Husa has also written music for orchestra, piano, mixed chorus and chamber ensembles, as well as several concertos. "Elegie et Rondeau" was composed in 1960.

Sancan was a French composer, pianist, teacher and conductor. He was a major figure among French musicians in the mid-20th-century transition between modern and contemporary eras, but outside France his name is almost unknown.

Schulhoff was among the first composers who recognized the potential of jazz-influenced dance music forms for serious music. "Hot Sonate" (1930) is one of his best-known works.

"Romeo and Juliet, Op. 64" is a ballet by Prokofiev based on William Shakespeare's play "Romeo and Juliet." First composed in 1935, it was substantially revised for its Soviet premiere in early 1940. "Introduction," "Juliet the Young Girl," "Montagues and the Capulets," "Balcony Scene," "Dance of the Five Couples," "Mercutio" and "The Fight" are included in this performance.

## **FSU's Department of Music Presents Vocal Studio Recitals**

FSU's Vocal Studios will present recitals of classical, operatic and musical theatre selections on **Monday, April 4**, and **Wednesday, April 6**. The program for both performances will be the same, and both recitals will take place at 7:30 p.m.

Music majors and minors from the vocal studios of **Gregory Scott Stuart** and **Francesca Aguado**, accompanied by pianist **Dr. Joseph Yungen**, will perform art songs and selections from opera and musical theatre. Among the selections will be works by women composers. The musical theatre selections include many well-known songs from the contemporary musical theatre repertory.

## Presentations

### Guest Speaker Dana Johnson Will Discuss the Environmental Justice Movement



The FSU Honors Program and FSU's Department of Geography will host Dana Johnson, senior director of Strategy and Federal Policy at WE ACT for Environmental Justice, in "Climate Justice Is Environmental Justice: A Movement and This Moment" on **Wednesday, March 30**, at 6 p.m. in Lane 111.

Johnson will provide an overview of the environmental justice movement and discuss how it is addressing climate change while working toward social justice. Johnson has successfully helped shape the environmental industry narrative in the areas of clean air, healthy homes, water quality, energy democracy and transportation standards. She also conceptualized and co-hosted an environmental justice education series on Clubhouse titled "All Heat, No Shade." This series built awareness of President Biden's Climate

Executive Orders and his "whole of government" approach to addressing environmental justice and the climate crisis.

For info, contact Dr. Kara Rogers Thomas at [krogersthomas@frostburg.edu](mailto:krogersthomas@frostburg.edu).

### Professor, Historian, Writer, Producer and Peacebuilder Dr. Charles L. Chavis Jr. to Present 'Hidden in Full View'



The Martha T. and Ralph M. Race Lecture Series will host Dr. Charles L. Chavis Jr. in "Hidden in Full View: Confronting the Legacy of Racism in the Age of Fracture" on **Thursday, March 31**, at 7 p.m. in Gira Center 397.

Chavis is a writer, filmmaker, activist and professor. He is the author of the groundbreaking book, "The Silent Shore: The Lynching of Matthew Williams and the Politics of Racism in the Free State," which is being adapted into a documentary series. Chavis is director of African and African American Studies and founding director of the John Mitchell Jr. Program for History, Justice and Race at the Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter

School for Peace and Conflict Resolution, as well as assistant professor of history and conflict resolution at George Mason University in Fairfax, Va. He is the national co-chair for the United States Truth Racial Healing and Transformation Movement and vice chair of the Maryland Lynching Truth and Reconciliation Commission. Chavis also serves on PBS's Exploring Hate Advisory Committee.

Chavis' work focuses on the history of racial violence and civil rights activism and Black and Jewish relations in the American South, and the ways in which the historical understandings of racial violence and civil rights activism can inform current and future approaches to peacebuilding and conflict resolution throughout the world.

For info, contact Dr. Eleanor H. McConnell at [ehmcconnell@frostburg.edu](mailto:ehmcconnell@frostburg.edu).

## Choose Civility Events

### "What Did You Meme?" Event Explores Role of Memes and Misinformation in Our Lives

The Department of Communication's Communication Leadership Lab and **Dr. Chelsea Daggett's** CMST 302 Argumentation and Advocacy class will facilitate a presentation and discussion titled, "What Did You Meme?: A Discussion About Avoiding Misinformation," on **Tuesday, April 5**, at 2 p.m. in Gira Center 161. This open discussion on media literacy will feature examples of logical fallacies in memes and how misinformation spreads in online spaces. Participants will be invited to engage in an open discussion about our difficulties assessing information and the quality of arguments online.

For info, contact Daggett, instructor of Communication Studies, at [crdaggett@frostburg.edu](mailto:crdaggett@frostburg.edu) or Communication Leadership Lab assistants Juston Bailey at [jcbailey0@frostburg.edu](mailto:jcbailey0@frostburg.edu) or Jacques Metayer at [jmmetayer0@frostburg.edu](mailto:jmmetayer0@frostburg.edu). The event is one of many available at FSU as part of the #BobcatsAgainstBias campaign to promote an inclusive campus environment.

### Day of Civility "Social Media Civility" Event to Feature Leader-in-Residence and Panellists Who Lead Local Communication Campaigns

This Choose Civility: Allegany event will be held on the annual Day of Civility in Allegany County on **Thursday, April 7**, at 6 p.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room (232).

This year's leader-in-residence will be Dr. Dorene Ciletti, an associate professor and director of the marketing and sales program, co-founder of the Michael P. Pitterich Sales & Innovation Center and co-director of Women in Industry for the Rowland School of Business at Point Park University in Pittsburgh. Ciletti's expertise in marketing, sales and strategy has been instrumental in developing new curricula, facilitating corporate and community-facing initiatives and leading student teams to success in regional and national competitions. Her teaching centers on experiential learning and design thinking, including consulting and collaborating with businesses and community organizations.

The following additional local panelists will join to contribute to a discussion about “Social Media Civility: Influencing Community and Strategy Online and on the Ground,” adding their diverse perspectives on how to contribute to constructive and responsive communication that connects and moves people across channels, modalities and purposes.

**Mandela Echefu M’12**, owner, Wheelz Up Adventures, Cumberland

Ian Robinson, vice president and co-chair of the Social Media Committee of NAACP Local Chapter 7007

**Ashley Swinford ’13**, director of Marketing and Outreach, Allegany County Library System

**Ashli Workman ’08**, director of Tourism in Allegany County

The event is also one of many available at FSU as part of the #BobcatsAgainstBias campaign to promote an inclusive campus environment. Time will be made for networking with local guests. Access will also be possible virtually for the public by registering at <https://bit.ly/SocialMediaCivility>.

For info, contact Dr. Elesha L. Ruminski, coordinator of Leadership Studies, at [elruminski@frostburg.edu](mailto:elruminski@frostburg.edu), or Patrick O’Brien, director of the Office of Civic Engagement, at [pobrien@frostburg.edu](mailto:pobrien@frostburg.edu). For info on the Choose Civility Chapter in Allegany County, visit <https://www.alleganycountylibrary.info/choose-civility>.

## Conferences

### Center for Teaching Excellence: Virtual Conference on DEI in Math Education

FSU’s Center for Teaching Excellence will host a virtual conference, “Diversity, Equity and Inclusion in Math Education: Aligning Pedagogy, Purposeful Technology and Applications,” on **Tuesday, April 19**, from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Faculty, staff and students from across Maryland higher education institutions are invited. The conference is free, and students are especially encouraged to attend.

“Diversity, Equity and Inclusion in Math Education” will explore the gap and the opportunities to improve diversity, equity and inclusion among faculty and students in math and math-adjacent education.

Early classroom experiences can be barriers, blocking educational pursuits and shaping career choices. Conventional math and math-adjacent fields’ emphasis on drills and contrived examples too often fail to develop quantitative reasoning skills that transfer to other subject matters, and are rapidly forgotten once the course is over. Join this conference to hear from national experts on how to better align pedagogy, purposeful technology and applications to boost students’ quantitative skills and redress disparities in opportunities and outcomes associated with math and math-adjacent education.

Featuring a keynote talk by Edray Goins, professor of mathematics at Pomona College in Claremont, Calif., and sessions presented by Roni Ellington, associate professor of mathematics education in the Graduate Program in Mathematics and Science Education at Morgan State University in Baltimore; Seema Iyer, associate director and research assistant professor for the Jacob France Institute in the University of Baltimore’s Merrick School of Business; and Dale Johnson, director of digital innovation for the University Design Institute at the Arizona State University Tempe campus.

For info and to register, visit <http://library.ubalt.edu/about-us/news-events/thinking-with-numbers>.

## Exhibitions

### All Campus Juried Art Exhibition

The Department of Visual Arts will present the All Campus Juried Art Exhibition, which will open on **Friday, April 8**, in the Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery in FSU’s Fine Arts . (Note: There will be no opening reception for this show.)

Any student on campus can enter up to five works of art in any medium. The work needs to be delivered to the Roper Gallery **Thursday, March 30, through Friday, April 1**, from 3 to 5 p.m. and picked up in the Roper Gallery on **Friday, April 22**, from 1 to 3 p.m. A guest juror will choose the prize winners (first place – \$100, second place – \$75, third place – \$50 and honorable mention – \$50). Prize winners will be contacted via email and will be posted on Instagram [@RoperGalleryFSU](https://www.instagram.com/RoperGalleryFSU). All prizes will be in the form of University Store gift cards.

For info, contact Ash Lester at [allester@frostburg.edu](mailto:allester@frostburg.edu).

## Points of Pride

### FSU Awarded Tree Campus Higher Education Status for 10th Year!



For the 10th year in a row, FSU has been honored with Tree Campus Higher Education recognition by the Arbor Day Foundation for its commitment to effective urban forest management.

The Tree Campus Higher Education program honors colleges and universities for effective campus forest management and engaging staff and students in conservation goals. FSU achieved the distinction by meeting Tree Campus Higher Education’s five standards, including

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maintaining a tree advisory committee, a campus tree-care plan, dedicated annual expenditures for its campus tree program, an Arbor Day observance and student service-learning project.

The Arbor Day Foundation is the world's largest membership nonprofit organization dedicated to planting trees. Its Tree Campus Higher Education program began in 2008 to encourage colleges and universities to plant trees on their campuses.

More info about the program is available at [treecampushigher.org](http://treecampushigher.org).

## FSU Professors Present at CEA-MAG Conference

Three professors in FSU's Department of English and Foreign Languages presented March 12 at the virtual 2022 CEA-MAG Conference, presented by the Mid-Atlantic Group of the College English Association.

*Dr. Kevin Kehrwald:* "Diagnosing Post-pandemic Cinema: Lessons in Darkness From Victor Sjoström's 'The Phantom Carriage' (1921)"

*Dr. Sydney Duncan:* "Discussing Race and Oppression in Professional Writing"

*Andy Duncan:* "Exorcising Private Rock: The Legacy of a Notorious 1949 Hex Ritual"

For info on CEA-MAG, visit <http://www.bowiestate.edu/ceamag>.

## Office of Sponsored Programs Successes/News

On March 3, *Dr. Tom Serfass*, a professor in FSU's Department of Biology, was awarded \$69,912 by the National Park Service for the project Evaluating CHOH and HAFE as Population Sources and Corridors for Forest Carnivores.

For info, see the Office of Sponsored Program's Successes/News webpage at <http://www.frostburg.edu/osp/successesnews.php>.

## Take Note

### Be Sure to Take the CES Survey!

CES at FSU invites community members to complete a survey about its performing arts programs. One person who completes the survey will be randomly selected to win a \$75 gift certificate to Giuseppe's Italian Restaurant in Frostburg.

Survey respondents will be asked to share the types of performances they prefer, what educational events they would like to experience, international art forms that should be represented in CES programming and what social topics should be explored through the arts.

CES' goal has always been to present programs that provide memorable arts experiences to people of all ages from throughout the tri-state region. Are there particular genres of dance, theatre or music that you want to experience? In the past, programming has included artists from all over the world, including Compañía Flamenca José Porcel, Bollywood Masala Orchestra and Dancers of India, Zuzu African Acrobats and an annual performance from the Maryland Symphony Orchestra.

CES traces its roots back to 1956, when the now-world-famous Joffrey Ballet presented its first public performance on the campus of Frostburg State Teachers College. Since that time, eminent visitors from throughout the world have included Jack Klugman, Herbie Hancock, the Martha Graham Dance Company, the Vienna Boys Choir and the Tibetan Monks of Drepung Loseling Monastery.

To complete the survey, visit the CES website at [ces.frostburg.edu](http://ces.frostburg.edu) or go to <https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/sv/UujmtAa>.

## Leadership and Engagement Awards

Nominations are being accepted for the Leadership and Engagement Awards (formerly the Leadership Awards). Last year the award categories were expanded to highlight excellence in engagement, which often goes with the exceptional leadership experienced on campus.

Do you know a great student leader from your class, is there a recognized student organization you are involved with or would you like to suggest one of your advisees? Do you work with an amazing colleague who has gone above and beyond and deserves to be recognized? Take a few moments and nominate them for one of the many award categories.

Nominations are being accepted for the period April 1, 2021, to **March 31, 2022**, with a **Monday, April 4**, submission deadline for this year's awards.

For info on award categories, visit <https://www.frostburg.edu/student-community-involvement/leadership/Awards/award-categories.php>; for info on eligibility, visit <https://www.frostburg.edu/student-community-involvement/leadership/Awards/eligibility.php>; and for frequently asked questions or to submit a nomination, visit <https://www.frostburg.edu/student-community-involvement/leadership/Awards/frequently-asked-questions.php>.

The Student Affairs Leadership and Engagement Awards ceremony will be held on **Thursday, May 5**, at 6 p.m.

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## Call for Civil Citizen Communicator Award Nominations



The Communication Leadership Lab, which is affiliated with programs of the Department of Communication at FSU, will award the eighth annual Civil Citizen Communicator Award this May. The award is given to a student enrolled at FSU who has within the previous year demonstrated communication leadership, or a commitment through word and actions to civility and constructive change within an organization or community. This person should have demonstrated communication competence, leadership competence and an awareness of and responsiveness to matters of civility that impact others. This award aligns with the mission of the Department of Communication programs and FSU to support the oral communication competency and leadership development of FSU students. It also supports regional and cultural development through recognition of efforts that link the campus to community partners.

Do you know someone who fits this description, someone who is committed to changing the University, another organization or society for the better? Is that person you? If so, submit a nomination for the Civil Citizen Communicator Award. Nominations will be accepted until the deadline of **Friday, April 29**. Nominate a candidate or yourself by emailing Connie Capacchione, program management specialist of the Department of Communication, at [ccapacchione@frostburg.edu](mailto:ccapacchione@frostburg.edu). Nominations should include:

The nominee's full name, major(s)/minor(s) and intended graduation date

If not a self-nomination, the name, role and relationship of the nominator to the nominee

A brief rationale (up to 1,000 words) explaining why the nominee fits the award criteria above

Additional support for the nomination (up to three written documents, photos or videos of speeches or events, promotional materials, letters of acknowledgement, etc.)

For info, contact Dr. Elesha L. Ruminski, professor of Communication Studies and coordinator of Leadership Studies and the Communication Leadership Lab, at [elruminski@frostburg.edu](mailto:elruminski@frostburg.edu). The call for nominations is also available at the Communication Leadership Lab website at <https://www.frostburg.edu/academics/colleges-and-departments/department-of-communication/frostburg-dialogue/civility-cup-award.php>.

A panel of reviewers external to the Department of Communication will rank and determine the award winner. Public announcement will be made before FSU's May Commencement ceremony. Each award winner's name is etched on the Civility Cup, which is displayed on campus in or near the Department of Communication. In addition to this public recognition, a formal certificate will be given to the winner.

## Nominations Open for President's Distinguished Faculty and Staff Awards

Nominations are being sought once again for the annual President's Distinguished Faculty and Staff Awards. These awards are presented during the May commencement ceremony and include a \$2,500 monetary prize.

Submit nominations to Donnell VanSkiver in the Office of the President (email to [dhvanskiver@frostburg.edu](mailto:dhvanskiver@frostburg.edu), fax to 301-687-7070, send in campus mail or deliver to Hitchins 218) by **Friday, April 1**.

### President's Distinguished Faculty Award

This award recognizes faculty members who advance the University in ways consistent with its mission and the goals outlined in the Strategic Plan.

Examples of qualifying activities include focusing learning on the acquisition and application of knowledge, providing engaging experiences that challenge students to excel and expanding regional outreach and engagement and aligning University resources – human, fiscal and physical – with strategic priorities.

Applications must be made through a letter of nomination by FSU colleagues. Self-nominations will not be accepted. Activities outlined in the nomination letter should have occurred in the fall 2021 and/or spring 2022 semester(s). The letter should consist of a narrative of no more than two pages in the form of an executive summary, plus any supporting documentation.

### President's Distinguished Staff Award

This award recognizes and encourages FSU staff members who provide exceptional service to the University and who have helped to advance its mission, goals and priorities.

Staff and faculty are invited to nominate staff colleagues they know have a recent record of significant contributions to the success of the University. Examples of qualifying activities could include, but are not limited to, suggesting new methods to help increase enrollment or student retention; involvement with innovative student activities to promote safety and well-being; providing leadership for a project or initiative making a favorable impact on the campus community; efficiency and effectiveness efforts leading to significant savings of cost, time, labor or other resources; community relations to help strengthen ties between FSU and local residents or businesses; assisting in FSU's contribution to economic development in Western Maryland, the region and the state; and other contributions deemed to be far above and beyond the staff member's regular job duties.

Regular exempt and nonexempt staff employees with at least three consecutive years of service to FSU are eligible to be nominated. Colleagues may nominate an eligible staff member with the knowledge and consent of the nominee. Contractual staff employees, faculty members and student workers are not eligible. Vice presidents, deans and other senior leadership are excluded.

Nomination for the President’s Distinguished Staff Award is to be made through a letter from FSU staff and/or faculty colleague(s). Multiple nominations for the same staff member are acceptable. Self-nominations and anonymous submissions will not be accepted.

Addressed to the president, a nomination letter should identify an eligible staff member and clearly document why their service is worthy of this award. Activities outlined in the nomination should have occurred during the 2021-2022 academic year. A nomination must be concise, summarizing the staff member’s outstanding accomplishments and positive impact in one or two pages, plus any supporting materials not to exceed three additional pages.

## Leadership Development Opportunity

Looking for ways to increase inclusivity and diversity in the workplace, the classroom or your community? The National Coalition Building Institute (NCBI) offers hands-on leadership models to increase cultural competence in diverse settings. The FSU NCBI campus affiliate is hosting the NCBI Leadership for Diversity Three-Day Train-the-Trainer on the FSU campus **Friday, April 1, through Sunday, April 3**. This training is appropriate for faculty, staff and students and is provided to participants free of charge.

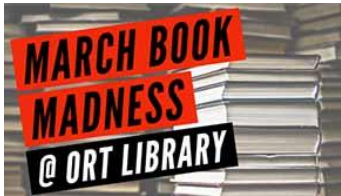
The train-the-trainer session consists of a series of incremental, experiential activities that finetunes the leadership skills necessary to build inclusive environments and increase cultural competence. Participants also learn the NCBI Controversial Issue Process, which demonstrates how to move hotly contested issues forward by listening to the heartfelt concerns on all sides and reframe the debate in a way that builds bridges and doesn’t divide.

Founded in 1984, NCBI International is a nonprofit leadership training organization dedicated to ending the mistreatment of every group, whether it stems from nationality, race, class, gender, religion, sexual orientation, age, physical ability, job or life circumstance. With chapters in nearly 50 cities worldwide, NCBI has dealt with prejudice and conflict in virtually every form. Each chapter is composed of leaders who are trained to provide prevention-based programs to reduce prejudice and intergroup conflict in their communities.

The FSU NCBI campus affiliate is affiliated with NCBI International. Its programs develop principled leaders who examine their own leadership, initiate diversity programs and enter the heat of emotional group conflict to build bridges across difference.

For info, contact Robin V. Wynder, chapter director, in Hitchins 116, at 301-687-4050 or at [rwynder@frostburg.edu](mailto:rwynder@frostburg.edu).

## March Book Madness at Ort Library



March Book Madness is back for 2022! This year’s theme is 21st-Century Books.

All month long books go head to head and you determine the winner.

Vote at [libguides.frostburg.edu/mbm](http://libguides.frostburg.edu/mbm).

Follow the library [@ortlibrary](https://www.facebook.com/ortlibrary) on Facebook and [@ortlibrary](https://www.instagram.com/ortlibrary) on Instagram for matchups and

winners!

## Planetarium Shows Are Back



“Zula Patrol: Down to Earth” is coming to the Planetarium in April.

Science Saturdays feature space news, a sky tour and a movie and will be held on **April 9, May 7 and June 4** at 5 and 7 p.m.

The movie for April is “Zula Patrol: Down to Earth,” for May is “The Dark Matter Mystery” and for June is “The Sun, Our Living Star.”

All shows last about an hour. Telescope observing will take place afterwards if conditions are favorable.

There will be no **Wednesday** public shows, but requests are being accepted for private shows.

For info, contact Dr. Jason Speights at [jcspeights@frostburg.edu](mailto:jcspeights@frostburg.edu).

## FSU-TV3

### New Episode Alert!



“Good Morning Frostburg” has a brand new show out this week! This episode will feature **Chef Bryce Taylor** with the “Chef Breakdown,” in which he will talk about the Chartwell’s Teaching Kitchen and provide a few excellent taco recipes. Motivational speaker, author and educator Jordan Green-Ellis will discuss how he became a motivational speaker and his inspirations. The show will also feature two women’s soccer players, and FSU students will appear on the “Man on the Street” segment.

Look for the new episode on **Wednesday, March 30**, at 9 a.m. on Comcast channel 3, <https://www.facebook.com/FSUTV3> and <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBYNZFo1rDZdpNzDL1ruREQ>.

Follow FSU-TV3 on <https://twitter.com/FSUTV3> and <https://www.instagram.com/FSUTV3>.



## Jobs

### Upward Bound Tutor/Counselors and Head Resident

The Upward Bound Program is seeking tutor/counselors (undergraduate) and a head resident (bachelor's degree required) for its summer residential program on FSU's campus (three- and five-week programs). Upward Bound is a federally funded program that encourages qualified Allegany County high school students to seek education beyond secondary school. The summer residential program provides the main focus and aims to provide students with a sample of the college experience. The five-week program is from **Sunday, June 12, through Friday, July 22**, and the three-week program is from **Sunday, June 12, through Friday, July 8** (tentative dates). Both sessions include one week of training. The salary for a three-week tutor/counselor is \$1,300 plus room and board and for a five-week tutor/counselor is \$2,200 plus room and board.

The deadline to apply is **Monday, March 28**. Send a letter expressing your interest and qualifications, a resume, three professional references and an unofficial transcript to [esteele@frostburg.edu](mailto:esteele@frostburg.edu).

## Study Abroad

### Start Planning Your Study Abroad Experience for Spring 2023!

Join the Center for International Education for a Study Abroad Information Session to learn more about program options, requirements and financial aid for overseas experiences. Each virtual session will take place at 3:30 p.m. on the following **Fridays: April 1, 15 and 29**.

Email Victoria Gearhart at [vmgearhart@frostburg.edu](mailto:vmgearhart@frostburg.edu) to sign up for the session of your choice.

## Community

### Have You Heard of Flood Awareness Month?



The Maryland Resiliency Partnership is seeking feedback from individuals who live in, work in or regularly travel through Maryland to better understand their awareness of the April 2021 Maryland Flood Awareness Month and engagement with topics related to flood preparedness.

Maryland is one of few states leading the nation in resiliency efforts, and this information is crucial to the state's remaining a leader in this area.

To take this brief survey, go to <https://forms.gle/9AR4uHtFcr5JHBQSA>. The closing date is **Thursday, March 31**.

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### Call for Vendors for Art in the Park



Rocky Gap State Park is hosting its first annual Art in the Park festival and is looking for vendors. The event will take place at the Amphitheatre in the park (located in Flintstone, 7 miles east of Cumberland) on **Saturday, June 11**, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and **Sunday, June 12**, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Along the shore of Lake Habeeb with a backdrop of the Evitts Mountain, the festival will include local art and food vendors, as well as live music and other activities.

The application process will close **Sunday, May 1**. For info, contact Sam Dixon at

[Samantha.dixon@maryland.gov](mailto:Samantha.dixon@maryland.gov) or 301-501-3553.

## Health and Safety Messages

### Safely Dispose of Your Medications!



This is a reminder that any unwanted or expired prescription medications can be deposited 24/7 in the "Green Box" located in the front lobby of the FSU Police Department.

You can also safely dispose of medications at the Allegany County Sheriff's Office and the Cumberland City Police Department from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, and at the Maryland State Police Barracks and the Frostburg City Police Department 24/7. Just look for the green box.

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# Happy, Healthy, Hip Tips From the BURG Peer Education Network



Learning To Be Free Edition – <https://www.learningtobefree.com>

Mental Health Monday Tip: Nine Amazing Tips to Crush Imposter Syndrome

<https://www.learningtobefree.com/2019/03/27/9-amazing-tips-to-crush-imposter-syndrome>

Tell Yourself Tuesday Tip: Anxiously in Love

<https://www.learningtobefree.com/2021/02/24/anxiously-in-love-finding-hope-for-love-in-a-new-year>

Wacky Wednesday Tip: One Hundred Positive Affirmations for Confidence That Will Boost Your Self-Esteem

<https://www.learningtobefree.com/2021/03/21/affirmations-for-confidence>

Thankful Thursday Tip: The Best Personal Development Podcasts You Should Listen to Right Now

<https://www.learningtobefree.com/2021/09/02/best-personal-development-podcasts>

Fun Friday Tip: Creative Hobbies List to Start Right Now

<https://www.learningtobefree.com/2021/10/24/creative-hobbies>

Social Saturday Tip: Mental Health Hashtags You Need to Start Using ASAP

<https://www.learningtobefree.com/2021/09/02/mental-health-hashtags>

Self-Love Sunday Tip: Self-Care for Introverts

<https://www.learningtobefree.com/2021/10/21/self-care-for-introverts>

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## VALUES AND VISION: FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY IN 2023

### CORE VALUES

Frostburg State University is a place where every student can experience a myriad of opportunities both in and out of the classroom, fostered by a sense of inclusion and close mentoring relationships with faculty and staff.

Frostburg State University is committed to developing cultural competence and cultivating understanding of and respect for a diversity of experiences and world views that encourage each person's ability to "take the perspective of the other."

Frostburg State University is committed to a system of shared governance that allows faculty, staff and students to learn about the issues the University confronts and that provides a structure for meaningful input into University decisions.

### OUR VISION FOR FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY IN 2023

Frostburg State University is a regionally acclaimed and nationally recognized academic institution that provides distinctive programs to support state and regional workforce needs. Faculty, staff and students foster collaboration in a welcoming and inclusive campus culture.

Students value the opportunities open for them at FSU and form close mentoring relationships with faculty and staff, who are committed to their success and well-being. Students apply knowledge and skills learned in the classroom to internship, civic engagement, study abroad and research experiences to meet the challenges of a complex and changing global society.

The University is integrated into the fabric of the community as a valued and respected regional asset. We are committed to making changes that secure our future while celebrating the values that reflect our history.

### STRATEGIC GOALS

Focus learning on the acquisition and application of knowledge.

Provide engaging experiences that challenge our students to excel.

Expand regional outreach and engagement.

Align University resources – human, fiscal and physical – with strategic priorities.

To view FSU's Strategic Plan 2018-2023 online, visit [www.frostburg.edu/strategicplan](http://www.frostburg.edu/strategicplan).